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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
NAOYUKI NISHIKAWA et al. ) : Examiner: P Tran  
Application No.: 09/428,454 ) : Group Art Unit: 2621  
Filed: October 28, 1999 ) :  
For: IMAGE PROCESSING )  
APPARATUS AND METHOD ) :  
AND RECORDING MEDIUM ) : June 18, 2004

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Commissioner for Patents  
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 5, 2004 for two months from May 5, 2004 to July 5, 2004.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$420.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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